GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
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Regional Cultural Centres
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the primary objective of setting up of Regional Cultural Centres;

(b) the amount allocated to the Regional Cultural Centres and the amount utilised during the last three years, Centre-wise;

(c) the level at which the programmes organised at the Regional Cultural Centre is determined; and

(d) whether any norms have been determined for the acceptance or sanctioning of programmes and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (I/C) FOR CULTURE AND TOURISM
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(a) & (b) To protect, preserve & promote various forms of folk art and culture including tribal arts, the Government of India has set up seven Zonal Cultural Centres (ZCCs) with headquarters at Patiala, Nagpur, Udaipur, Allahabad, Kolkata, Dimapur and Thanjavur. These ZCCs organize various cultural activities and programmes on regular basis throughout the country to meet the above objectives. The Government of India is considering setting up of Regional Cultural Centres of these ZCCs in all the States and UTs. Nothing has been finalized yet.

However, the details of the annual grant-in-aid provided to these ZCCs during the last three years are as under:

(Rs in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of ZCC	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
1	NZCC, Patiala	612.35	433.39	1412.50
2	WZCC, Udaipur	429.35	652.39	885.15
3	SZCC, Thanjavur	830.66	336.10	560.56
4	EZCC, Kolkata	537.36	456.54	813.659
5	SCZCC, Nagpur	544.19	319.61	1115.00
6	NCZCC, Allahabad	520.37	345.07	517.37
7	NEZCC, Dimapur	771.94	1431.78	1530.10
Total		4246.22	3974.88	6834.330

(c) & (d) Do not arise.